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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

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For: **Method and Apparatus for Reliably Choosing a Master Network Manager During
Initialization of a Network Computing System**

Enclosed are also:

- ☒ 31 Pages of Specification including an Abstract
☒ 7 Pages of Claims
☒ 8 Sheet(s) of Drawings
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 Declarations)
☒ Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

CLAIMS AS FILED

FOR	Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate		Basic Fee (\$710)
Total Claims	28	-20 =	8	X	\$ 18	=	\$144
Independent Claims	5	-3 =	2	X	\$ 80	=	\$160
Multiple Dependent Claims	0			X	\$270	=	\$0
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